

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (currently cancelled)

Claim 2 (currently amended): The method of claim [[1]] 12, wherein said inoculation and said *Echinacea* supplementation are carried out simultaneously.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The method of claim [[1]] 12, wherein said inoculation and said *Echinacea* supplementation are begun on day-old chicks.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The method of claim [[1]] 12, wherein said *Echinacea* supplement is about 0.1% (w/w) to about 0.5% (w/w) of said dietary composition.

Claim 5 (cancelled)

Claim 6 (currently amended): The method of claim [[1]] 12, wherein said *Echinacea* supplement is removed from said dietary regimen after two weeks.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The method of claim [[1]] 12, wherein said *Echinacea* supplement is *Echinacea purpurea*.

Claim 8 (currently cancelled)

Claim 9 (currently amended): The composition of claim [[8]] 13, wherein said *Echinacea* is present in an amount of about 0.1% (w/w) to about 0.5% (w/w).

Claim 10 (currently amended): The composition of claim [[8]] 13, wherein said *Echinacea* is *Echinacea purpurea*.

Claim 11 (cancelled)

Claim 12 (new): A method for protecting poultry against coccidiosis, said method comprising 1) inoculating chicks with an effective amount of an anticoccidial vaccine and 2) providing a dietary regimen composition comprising a mixture of A) poultry

feed and B) an *Echinacea* preparation in an amount effective for enhancing an immune response to said vaccine.

Claim 13 (new): A dietary composition for poultry, said composition comprising a mixture of A) poultry feed and B) an *Echinacea* preparation in an amount effective for enhancing an immune response to an anticoccidial vaccine.